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SUPPLEMENTAL EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later-than-the payment of the issue fee.

- 2. The application has been amended as follows:
- 3. In the Specification:

On page 12

Line 18 Insert "SEQ ID NO: 11" after "...(ATG)"

Line 19 Insert "SEQ ID NO: 12" after "...(ATG)"

Line 27 Insert "SEQ ID NO: 13" after "... NLPK"

On page 13

Line 4 Insert "SEQ ID NO: 14" after "... (GGT)"

Line 6 Insert "SEQ ID NO: 15" after "...(GGA)"

Line 16 Insert "SEQ ID NO: 16" after "... VEPSD"

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Line 15 Insert "SEQ ID NO: 17" after "repeat 1"

Line 17 Insert "SEQ ID NO: 18" after "repeat 2"

Line 20 Insert "SEQ ID NO: 19" after "...repeat 1."

Line 24 Insert "SEQ ID NO: 20" after "... repeat 2."

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Line 29

Insert "SEQ ID NO: 21" after "...motif"

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Line 2

Insert "SEQ ID NO: 22" after "...motif."

Line 6

-Insert "SEQ ID-NO: 23" after "... sequence."

Line 8

Insert "SEQ ID NO: 24" after "...repeat"

Line 12

Insert "SEQ ID NO: 25" after "... repeat"

Summary

4. Claims **59** and **61** stand allowed pursuant to the Notice of Allowability mailed 14 November 2003.

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Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to **Christopher James Nichols**, **Ph.D.** whose telephone number is (571) 272-0889. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, **Gary Kunz**, **Ph.D.** can be reached on (571) 272-0887.

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